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REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-6 are pending in the application. Claim 6 has been allowed. Claims 2-5 have been objected to. Claim 1 has been rejected. Claims 2 and 3 have been amended.

Claim 1 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. In making this cancellation without prejudice, Applicants reserve all rights in these claims to file divisional and/or continuation patent applications.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant notes that claim 6 is allowed and that claims 2 - 5 contain allowable subject matter.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 2-5 are objected as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 2 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 1. Claim 3 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully asserts that amended claims 2 and 3 are now allowable and the objection to claims 2 and 3, should be withdrawn. Claims 4 and 5 are dependent from claim 3 and included all limitations of claim 3. Therefore, the objection to claims 4 and 5 should be withdrawn.

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CLAIM REJECTIONS

35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejections

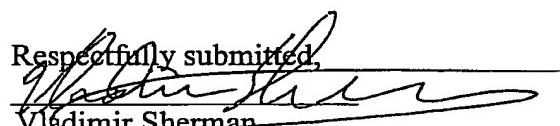
Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by Murray et al. (US Patent 6,007,190).

Claim 1 has been cancelled and therefore the rejection to this claim is now moot.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the pending claims 2 - 6 are deemed to be allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any question or comment as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claim 1 has been cancelled.

Claims 2 and 3 have been amended as follows:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Once Amended) An [The] apparatus [according to claim 1] comprising:

at least one print head;
a movable component attachable to a flexible cable carrier, said flexible
cable carrier being coupled to said at least one print head, and
an isolating component attachable to said movable component, for
isolating uncontrolled movement and vibration of said flexible cable carrier from
said at least one print head,

wherein said movable component comprises a plate attached at one end to said flexible cable carrier.
3. (Once Amended) An [The] apparatus [according to claim 1] comprising:

at least one print head;
a movable component attachable to a flexible cable carrier, said flexible
cable carrier being coupled to said at least one print head, and
an isolating component attachable to said movable component, for
isolating uncontrolled movement and vibration of said flexible cable carrier from
said at least one print head,

wherein said isolating component comprises a linear bearing track.